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SUBJECT: MFA STATEMENT ON DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER'S
CONTACTS IN ANKARA

THE MFA ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT MARCH 30 WHICH WAS
BROADCAST BY ANKARA RADIO IN ITS MID-DAY NEWSCAST:

BEGIN TEXT (EMBASSY TRANSLATION)

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A SHORT TIME AFTER THE NEW TURKISH GOVERNMENT ASSUMED
ITS DUTIES, A NEW APPROACH TO THE RELATIONS OF TURKEY WITH
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WAS DEVELOPED AND ATTEMPTS HAVE
BEEN MADE TO ESTABLISH A DIALOGUE FOR THE REALIZATION OF
THIS APPROACH. SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE'S VISIT TO TURKEY
PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE THE FIRST STEP IN THIS
DIRECTION. IN THE TALKS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE,

A DECISION WAS MADE FOR CERTAIN PREPARATORY EFFORTS TO ADJUST TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS IN CONFORMITY WITH OUR NEW APPROACH.

THE VISIT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER, WHO CAME TO TURKEY AS THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF PRESIDENT CARTER, TOGETHER WITH OTHER OFFICIALS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE TALKS ON CERTAIN CONCRETE SUBJECTS AT THE POLITICAL LEVEL, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE EFFORTS PREVIOUSLY MADE WITH THE PARTICIPATION AND CONTRIBUTION OF U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR NIMETZ.

PRESIDENT CARTER, IN THE MESSAGE SENT TO PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT, EXPRESSED HIS VIEWS AND INTENTIONS ABOUT THE REVITALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER ALSO BROUGHT SOME CONCRETE PROPOSALS FROM PRESIDENT CARTER ON THIS SUBJECT.

DURING THE TALKS HELD YESTERDAY IN ANKARA, THE TURKISH SIDE EXPRESSED IN DETAIL ITS VIEWS IN LIGHT OF TALKS HELD PREVIOUSLY AND ITS OPINIONS ON PRESIDENT CARTER'S PROPOSALS. THE VIEWS OF THE TURKISH SIDE WILL BE CONVEYED IMMEDIATELY TO PRESIDENT CARTER. AFTER THE PRESIDENT RETURNS TO THE UNITED STATES, DETAILS OF THE AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL BE FINALIZED.

THE TALKS IN ANKARA TOOK PLACE IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE AND ARE CONSIDERED FAVORABLE AND CONSTRUCTIVE BY THE PARTIES. IT IS HOPED THAT THESE TALKS AND THE DIALOGUE MAY PRODUCE FAVORABLE RESULTS IN A SHORT TIME.

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